

**SEVIER RIVER WATER USERS ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF 2012 ANNUAL MEETING**

Minutes of the annual meeting of the Sevier River Water Users Association held at the Sevier County Administration Building 250 North Main Street, Richfield, Utah
Thursday, February 2, 2012 **1:30 p.m.**

Due, legal and timely notice having been given as required by law and the Order of the Board.

There were present the following Officers and Directors:

Present:

Ivan Cowley, President-Sevier County
Ken Fowles, Vice Present-Millard County
Travis Blood, Director-Piute County
Blaine Ipson, Director-Millard County
Russel Christensen, Director-Sevier County
Russell W. Anderson, Secretary-Treasurer

Absent:

Delin Roundy, Director-Garfield County
Jarvis Sorensen, Director-Sanpete County

Also Present:

Ray Owens, Sevier River Commissioner
Jim Walker, Sevier River Commissioner
Jared Manning, Division of Water Rights
Sue Odekirk, Division of Water Rights
Kirk Forbush, Division of Water Rights
Terry Monroe, Division of Water Rights

The meeting was called to order by Ivan Cowley, who conducted the meeting.

The minutes of the 2011 annual meeting held February 3, 2011 were read by the secretary. On a motion by Paul McCallaum, second by Brent Cowley with all present voting to approve the minutes.

President Cowley turned the meeting over to the river commissioners to give their reports for 2012:

Jim Walker discussed the conditions of storage water saying it would be full as of 04-01-2012. Jim said it would be "wetter and crazy in February and March 2012" and the water users should have a good water year. He discussed fixing and updating the station that needed it after such a high water year.

Ray Owens discussed the winter river flows, reservoir levels, and the snowtel readings for the basin in detail. Otter Creek has about 50,000 ft of water, Piute with 61,739 ft new and snow tel at 70% it looks like a good year for users. The Surface Water Storage Index (SWSI) shows both the upper and lower river average water year in 2012. The river commissioner's reports was accept by the users on a motion by Jerry Skeem, second by Brent Cowley with all voting in favor

Ivan Cowley turned the time over to Jared Manning, the new Utah Water Systems Engineer to introduce himself. He has been with water rights for 14 years. Jared wanted to know if Lee Sim wore a tie to these meeting. Of course he was told he always did. Sue Odekirk from the division of water rights, complemented the river commissioners and river committee on there work during the year.

Jared Manning then discussed the receipts and expenditures for CY 2011 and the proposed 2012 budget. Copies were passed around and those present received a copy. The beginning balance on 1/01/2011 was \$66,731.43 in addition there were receipt of \$240,164.88 and expenditures of \$230,572.42 with an ending balance of \$76,323.89 at 12/31/2010. Jared reviewed each of the budget items for CY 2011 with the users. On a motion by Jerry Skeen, second by Paul McCollaum the water users unanimously accepted the 2011 receipts and expenditures report.

Jared Manning then went through the proposed 2012 budget with the users. The proposed budget was for \$234,674.00 showing decrease of \$15,000.00 from 2011 budget of \$251,610.00. The CY 2012 assessment is \$230,000.00. After discussing the budget Ladd Holman made a motion to approve the CY 2012 budget as is. Seconded by Paul McCollaum with all present voting in favor.

Jody Gale gave a report on what has been done, and what is going to be done to kill Curly Dock on the upper part of the river and it's canals.

The local financial report was given by Sectary-Treasurer Russell W. Anderson. Income was \$85,181.77 with Expenses of \$113,303.34 with a balance on December 31, 2011 of \$15,851.42. After discussing the budget Wayne Ballard made a motion to approve the CY 2011 local income and expense report as is. Seconded by Brent Cowley with all present voting in favor.

Megan Greathouse gave a legislative update discussing Child Labor Laws, and discussion the fall election cycle for state senate.

Ivan Cowley opened the meeting to elections to fill the expired terms of Travis Blood Piute County, Russel Christensen Sevier County, Jarvis Sorensen San Pete County, and Blaine Ipson Millard County.

Travis Blood was nominated by Bill Sudweeks. This was seconded by Jerry Skeen and Travis was elected by acclamation.

Russel Christensen was nominated by Brent Cowley. This was seconded by Dick Comisky and Russel was elected by acclamation.

Jarvis Sorensen was nominated by Loni Hammond. This was seconded by Donald Child and Jarvis was elected by acclamation.

Blaine Ipson was nominated by Lad Holman. This was seconded by Dennis Steffenoff and Blaine was elected by acclamation.

Users discussed ways of cleaning the river channel through Sanpete County.

With no other business to come before the users the meeting adjourned.